

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of :

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Group Art Unit: 3732

Examiner: NOT YET ASSIGNED

For: POLYACRYLAMIDE HYDROGEL FOR ARTHRITIS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Attention: Box Missing Parts  
Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please  
amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

On page 1, after the title and before "FIELD OF INVENTION", please add:

**-- REFERENCE TO PRIOR APPLICATION**

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This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) from provisional  
application Serial Number 60/228,081, filed September 25, 2000, which is  
incorporated herein by reference to the extent it is consistent with this application. --

Please add after page 21, as the last one (1) page of the Application, the  
ABSTRACT, enclosed on a separate page 22 herewith.

**REMARKS**

**I. APPLICANT AMENDED SPECIFICATION TO ADD REFERENCE TO A  
PROVISIONAL APPLICATION AND INTRODUCE THE ABSTRACT.**

Applicants amended their specification to add a reference to a provisional  
application and to add an ABSTRACT as requested in the Notice to File Missing

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Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated September 27, 2001. The ABSTRACT is supported by the application as filed. Therefore, entry of the foregoing Preliminary Amendment into the record is respectfully requested prior to examination of the application.

**II. REQUEST FOR ALLOWANCE**

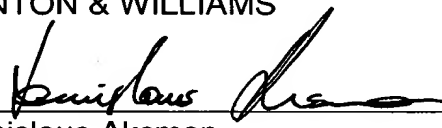
An indication of allowance of all claims is solicited.

In the event any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

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